

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17th, 1919, AT 8:00 P.M.

Present: Alderman Evans
Alderman T. Irwin
Alderman W.J. Irwin
Alderman Morden
Alderman Townsley
Alderman Watson

The Clerk called the meeting to order and stated that owing to the absence of Mayor Vance at Victoria, it would be necessary to appoint a Chairman of the meeting and Acting Mayor during the absence of His Worship Mayor Vance.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Alderman T. Irwin be and is hereby appointed Chairman of this meeting, and Acting Mayor during the absence of Mayor Vance at Victoria, during the present week.

The Minutes of Regular Meeting of Council, held Monday February 10th, 1919, copies of which had been supplied each of the Aldermen, were taken as read and on motion of Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin adopted.

Correspondence was received, read and dealt with as follows:

From David Robertson of Walkerton, Ontario, enclosing notice of appeal to the Court of Revision with respect to Lots 5 & 6, Block 27, DL 273, and stating that he does not intend to pay the arrears of taxes unless they are reduced.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From J.P. Kean, Acting Secretary, Association of Fathers, Sons and Brothers of Overseas Soldiers and Sailors, requesting the City Council to take steps either by Public subscription or otherwise, to have erected in Victoria Park a suitable Memorial to the North Vancouver heroes, who paid the supreme sacrifice in the late war.

That the Council take steps to prepare, frame and place on the walls of the City Hall, a Roll of Honor of all North Vancouver men who enlisted for overseas duty in preference to the proposed book list, decided upon a considerable time since by the Council.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Eleven resident tax payers and tenants in Blocks 16 and 17, DL 549, complaining of the inadequate supply of water on 18th Street East.

Referred to the Waterworks Committee, the Engineer to report thereon, and the Clerk to check up the owners.

From E. Read, Secretary National Association Marine Engineers, with further reference to the application of the Ferry Engineers for an increase in pay, and pointing out that in bygone years the Master and Chief Engineer were paid on a par, and requesting an early decision by the Council in the matter, and stating that if the request is not

favorably considered, they are prepared to abide by the decision of the Dominion Fair Wage Officer.
Laid on the table.

From G.S. Hanes, MLA, acknowledging receipt of a copy of Memorial forwarded to the Provincial Government with respect to setting aside \$750,000.00 towards the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. from Horse Shoe Bay to Squamish, stating that he is writing the Government with reference to the matter.
Ordered filed.

From John G. Farmer, Clerk of the District of North Vancouver, stating that the District Council has authorized the payment to Mr. H. Vinal of \$4.70 being one-half the cost of repairing his car.
Moved by Alderman Evans seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to issue a cheque in the amount of \$4.70 to Mr. H. Vinal, being one-half the cost of repairing his car, which was damaged carrying returned soldiers from the station.

From the Sun Publishing Company, enclosing 4 copies of a folder descriptive of B.C. 1919, requesting to know whether the governing body in North Vancouver is interested in securing publicity and requesting an early response. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Secretary of the Joint Reception and Transportation Committees, for receiving and welcoming returned soldiers, being a request and recommendation to the Council of the City of North Vancouver that a Pass on the ferries, for the year 1919, be furnished Mrs. W.T. Graham.
Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From John G. Farmer, Clerk of the District of North Vancouver, enclosing copy of agreement proposed to be entered into between the District of North Vancouver and the Vancouver Power Company, with reference to the postponement of the exercise of its right to purchase the Company's electric lighting system, also stating that in view of the agreement entered into between the City and The District, dated July 4th, 1914, it is necessary that the District have the consent of the City before executing the Agreement.
Referred to Motions.

From A.C. Sutton, City Solicitor, stating that he along with Alderman W.J. Irwin, attended the sitting of the Board of Railway Commissioners, and presented the City's claim to terminal freight rates, also stating that the Chairman suggested that certain data be secured from the different industries and submitted to the Board at Ottawa, when after consideration a decision in the matter will be given. Referred to Reports of Committees.

From Geo. Campbell, Secretary Board of School Trustees, extending a cordial invitation to His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen to a lecture in the K.P. Hall on Friday the 21st instant, at 8:15 p.m. also enclosing complimentary tickets for the members of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman Watson and resolved that the above invitation and complimentary tickets be received and that the thanks of the Council be extended to the School Board, stating that as many as possible will endeavour to make it convenient to attend.

From Geo. Campbell, Secretary School Board, in compliance with the requirements of Section 50 of the Schools Act, enclosing a detailed estimate of the sums required for the current year for the ordinary expenses of the schools, amounting to a net sum of \$37,801.02.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above detailed estimate of the ordinary expenses of the School Board for the year 1919, be accepted.

From Geo. Campbell, secretary Board of School Trustees, pointing out that in addition to the ordinary estimates, it will be necessary to raise \$23,267.19 for interest and sinking funds on \$415,730.00 of debentures issued under 13 authorizing Bylaws for school purposes. Referred Estimates.

From Geo. Campbell, secretary Board of School Trustees, enclosing a detailed estimate of the sums required by the board of School Trustees to meet the special or extraordinary expenditure during the year 1919, net amount of \$8,250.00. Referred to Motions.

From A.B. Pottenger, registrar County Court, being a receipt for the registration of "the Ferries Operation and Maintenance Bylaw, 1918" No. 293. Ordered filed.

From A.B. Pottenger, Registrar County Court, being receipt for the registration of the "City of North Vancouver General Borrowing and Hypothecation of Taxes Bylaw, 1919" numbered 400. Ordered filed.

From Maria Grant, Secretary Women's Independent Political Association, Victoria, drawing attention to certain special clauses in the proposed Municipal Act. Moved by aw seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above communication be received and referred to a special meeting at which the new Act will be considered.

From the Assessor, City of Vancouver, being notice of assessment lots 31 to 38, Block 1, DL 196, value of improvements \$9,000.00 land value \$114,000.00. Referred to the Finance Committee and the Clerk to check up with last year's assessment.

from John Oliver, Premier, and Minister of Railways, acknowledging receipt of Memorial from this Council, having reference to the setting aside of the sum of \$750,000.00 for the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway Co. from Horse Shoe Bay to Squamish, and advising that the \$750,000.00 referred to had been expended long since in connection with operating and construction work, and is therefore not available for the purpose designated. Ordered filed.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, enclosing receipt No. 579 issued on February 5th, 1918, to the B.C. Association of Seventh Day Adventists for \$25.00, deposited by the

ma s security under subsection "P" of Section 4 of the Trades License and Regulation Bylaw 1914, also report that since the above Association has complied with the requirements of the Bylaw, a cheque be authorized returning the above deposit of \$25.00.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the above report of the Collector be received and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a cheque in the amount of \$25.00 payable to the B.C. Association of Seventh Day Adventists, being refund for said amount deposited as security under Sub-section P of Section 4 of the "Trades License and Regulation Bylaw, 1914".

From G.G. McGeer, MLA, for Richmond, stating that the matter of his Police reorganization project will be taken up again at a later date. Ordered filed.

From Geo. E. Kyle, City Collector, requesting an increase of say \$25.00 per month to date from January 1st, 1919, and giving his reasons in support thereof. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From R.L. Docherty, applying for an increase in salary and giving his reasons for same. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From Miss C.M. Wheeler, applying for an increase of \$10.00 per month to date from January 1st and giving reasons for same. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the B.C. Telephone Co. Ltd. with reference to installation of telephone at the home of J.L. Douglas, 573 - 21st street West. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From A.R. Clucas, Acting City Engineer, drawing attention to a number of advertisement sign boards that are being erected on private property, facing on Lonsdale Avenue, and recommending that the matter be referred to the City Solicitor.
Moved by aw seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that the above matter be referred to the City Solicitor for a report.

From the Minister of Lands, Victoria, with further reference to the allotment of monies being rendered available by the Dominion Government for the building of houses. Referred to the Committee of the Whole Council.

From the Army and Navy Veterans Association drawing attention to the necessity of immediately providing employment for soldiers now being demobilized and requesting assistance and co-operation in urging the Dominion and Provincial Governments to immediately commence the following public works:

Dominion Government

Construction of Dry Dock on Burrard Inlet
Construction of Second Narrows Bridge
Dominion Highway, Halifax to Vancouver

Provincial Government

International Highway to be paved for motor traffic
Construction of trunk roads where necessary.

Referred to Committee of the Whole Council.

From Alex Philip enclosing cheque in the amount of \$13.50 being returned premium on surrender of Policy in the Boston Insurance Company on Ferry No. 1.

Moved by aw seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the above cheque for \$13.50 be accepted.

Under plans for approval, the Acting City Engineer forwarded plan from the B.C. Telephone Co. Ltd. being Plan No. A3802 for the erection of poles near the Boundary Road, and recommending that the above plan be approved, subject to the poles being set at the required offset, viz., 12 feet, 6 inches from the property line to the outside face of the poles.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that Plan No. A3802 of the B.C. Telephone Co. Ltd., be and is hereby approved, subject to the poles being set at the required offset.

Under the Heads of Inquiries, Alderman Watson requested information with respect to a complaint from Mr. Douglas re water on 25th Street.

Reports and recommendations by the Finance, School, Ferry, Board of Works, Waterworks, Fire and Light, Parks and Boulevards, Police and Health Committees on due accounts were submitted by the respective Chairmen and read to the Meeting and the Treasurer was authorized to pay the accounts to the amounts following:

Finance	\$381.04
Finance (School)	\$517.76
Ferry \$5600.98 + \$429.88	\$6030.86
Board of Works	\$256.87
Waterworks	\$129.53
Fire & Light	\$1274.14
Parks & Boulevards	\$74.09
Parks & Boulevards (Police)	\$82.25
Parks & Boulevards (Health)	\$291.41

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 11th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole Council as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin adopted.

The Report of the Waterworks Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley adopted.

The Report of the Fire and Light Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Townsley seconded by Alderman Watson adopted.

The Report of the Board of Works Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman W.J. Irwin seconded by Alderman Morden adopted.

The Report of the Finance Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read and on motion of Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin adopted.

The Report of the Ferry Committee as contained in the Committee's Minutes of February 12th, 1919, was read.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the second recommendation in the above Minutes be amended by deleting the worded "white" with respect to painting brass work on the boats, and that the Minutes as amended be adopted.

Alderman W.J. Irwin reported that he, accompanied by the Solicitor had waited on the Board of Railway Commissioners on the 14th and 15th instant, and that on the 15th instant they had been given a hearing with respect to terminal rates for the North Shore. They pointed out that North Vancouver is being unjustly discriminated against, and that the Solicitor is preparing a brief for presentation to the Board and for service on interested parties, and that the matter will be considered further by the Board on its return to Ottawa.

The Clerk was instructed to assist the Solicitor in securing all necessary data from the various Industries including the shingle and lumber mills.

Alderman Watson complimented Alderman W.J. Irwin and the Solicitor on presenting the case so aptly before the Board.

The Clerk reported having received a telephone message from Mayor Vance stating that the Good roads Convention had endorsed the request of the joint Councils for a Government grant towards hard surfacing roads on the North Shore, also that it is expected that the executive of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities would meet at Victoria on Thursday and Friday to consider the new Municipal Act, and requesting to know the wishes of the Council with respect to his waiting over until the above meeting. The Clerk was instructed to wire Mayor Vance to interview the members of the Municipal Committee, recommending that the passing of the Act be deferred until next year, also advising him that the Council is meeting with the Solicitor on Tuesday evening.

Alderman Watson reported that the Superintendent recommended docking No. 3 Ferry on Saturday the 22nd instant.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Superintendent dock No. 3 Ferry on Saturday the 22nd instant, for the purpose of overhauling, and that he procure West Vancouver Ferry No. 5 for the day, and insert notices in the North Shore Press accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to forward a notice of appeal against the assessment for improvements on Block 3, DL 855, District of North Vancouver, on the ground that the said assessment is excessive and more than authorized by the Municipal Act, and that A.C. Sutton or in his absence the Mayor or Acting Mayor be authorized to appear at the Court of Revision to be held on March 3rd at 9:30 a.m. on behalf of the City.

Moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the City consent to the execution by the Corporation of the District of North Vancouver of an Agreement between said Corporation and the Vancouver Power Company Ltd., whereby said Corporation agrees to defer, until the 16th day of August 1925, the exercise of the District's right to purchase the electric lighting system within the limits of the District and City of North Vancouver together with all the real and personal property of the Power Company used, in use or to be used in the operation of the said lighting system within said limits.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Morden and resolved that this Council disapproves of the estimated School Board expenditure in respect of extraordinary expense:

A	Building Purposes	
	To finish Queen Mary School for Fall term	\$6,900
B	Furniture and equipment	750
		\$7,650

and that the School Board be notified accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman Townsley and resolved that the Solicitor be requested to meet with this Council on Tuesday evening the 18th instant at 7:30 p.m. to consider the draft of the Municipal Act, and that as many citizens as possible be notified and invited to attend.

At 10:30 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Morden seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that the time of this meeting be extended.

Alderman Morden drew attention to the playing of baseball in Ottawa Gardens on Sunday, Thereby cutting up the sod.
The Clerk was instructed to notify the Engineer and the Police Department.

At 10:50 p.m. it was moved by Alderman Watson seconded by Alderman W.J. Irwin and resolved that this Council now adjourn, to reconvene on Tuesday February 18th, 1919, at 7:30 p.m. Whereupon the Council adjourned.

Signed: G.W. Vance, Mayor